

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant responds herein to the Election/Restriction Requirement dated June 28, 2007.

Preliminarily, please note that minor specification, drawings and claims amendments have been made which improve the readability and format of the specification, drawings and claims. No new matter has been added. Entry of these amendments is respectfully requested.

In response to the restriction requirement, applicant elects the invention of Species 1: comprising Figures 16-22. The claims readable on these figures are identified as claims 1-11, 14-26 and 29-35.

Claims 1-9, 12, 13, 14-24, 27, 28, 29-34 and 36 are submitted to be readable on Species 2 (Figures 23-27). Therefore, it is submitted that claims 1-9, 14-24 and 29-34 are generic and readable on all the species.

Upon allowance of a generic claim, withdrawal of the election requirement will be appropriate.

Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to the subject matter covered in the non-elected claims.

Early and favorable consideration of the present application is earnestly solicited.

If this communication is filed after the statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner for Patents is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. §1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

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